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TOPIC Rail Movements Through NEUSTADT on the Orla River

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REMARKS

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25X1X 1. Many empty west-bound trains of boxcars and flatcars passed through NEUSTADT on the Orla River (M 51/J 84) between 13 and 25 September 1949. Numerous empty railroad cars were also attached to regular west-bound freight trains.

2. The flow of empty rollingstock to the west decreased between 26 September and 1 October 1949 and came to an end on 2 October 1949

3. An east-bound train carrying troops and motor vehicles passed through NEUSTADT the morning of 29 September 1949.

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4. Many east-bound trains passed through NEUSTADT on the Orla River between 3 and 17 October 1949, usually at night. As an example, 14 east-bound trains carrying tanks, guns and rocket launchers were counted the night of 5 October 1949.

5. The nightly through traffic of east-bound troop trains sharply decreased between 10 and 23 October 1949. Some empty trains of 40 to 50 boxcars equipped with bunks were seen heading west during that period.

6. No military trains were seen passing through NEUSTADT between 24 and 31 October 1949, but relatively heavy motor vehicle traffic was observed during that period.

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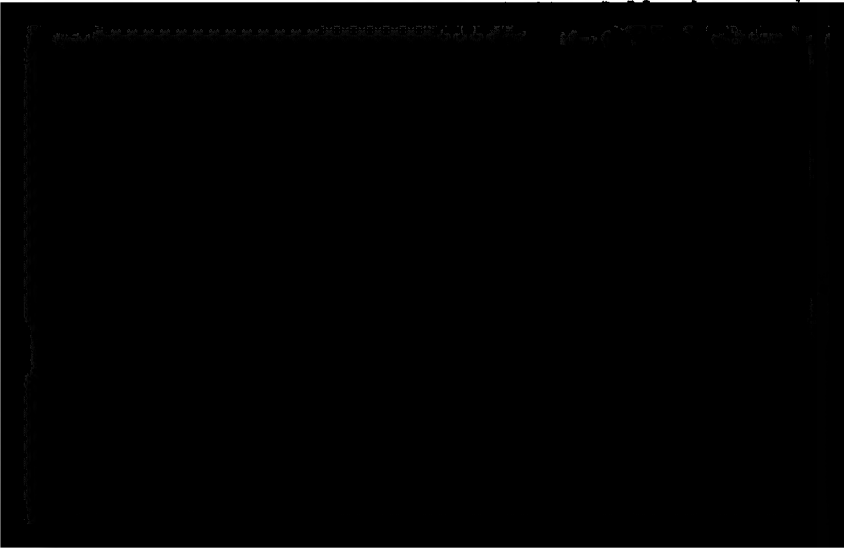
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The report indicates that the maneuvers of Eighth Gds Army units in the EISENACH-OHRDRUF area were completed during the first half of October 1949.

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